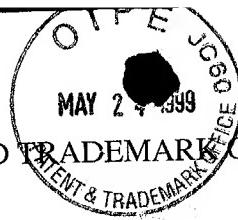


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**Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Final Office Action be extended 3 months from February 23, 1998 to May 23, 1999 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 21(b), because May 23, 1999 was a Sunday, the period for responding to the outstanding Final Office Action should be extended by one day to Monday, May 24, 1999.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$435 for a 3 month extension for a small entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying Check No. 310,343. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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